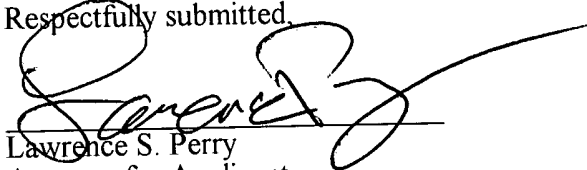


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6. (Amended) The virus vector according to [any one of] claim[s 1 to] 5, wherein the ligand is [a ligand] selected from the group consisting of α -MSH, β -MSH, γ -MSH and derivatives [of any one] thereof.

7. (Amended) The virus vector according to [any one of] claim [1 to] 6, wherein the virus is selected from [viruses belonging to any one of] the group consisting of the family *Adenoviridae*, the family *Retroviridae*, the family *Parvoviridae*, the family *Herpesviridae*, the family *Poxviridae*, the family *Papovaviridae*, the family *Hepadnaviridae*, the family *Togaviridae*, the family *Flaviviridae*, the family *Coronaviridae*, the family *Rhabdoviridae*, the family *Paramyxoviridae*, the family *Orthomyxoviridae*, the family *Bunyaviridae*, the family *Arenaviridae* and the family *Reoviridae*.

8. (Amended) The virus vector according to [any one of] claim[s 1 to] 6, wherein the virus is a human adenovirus.

9. (Amended) The virus vector according to [any one of] claim[s 1 to 8] 6, wherein the virus contains an exogenous gene.

16. (Amended) A medicament comprising the virus vector according to [any one of] claim[s 1 to 15] 6.

17. (Amended) An antitumor agent comprising the virus vector according to [any one of] claim[s 1 to 15] 6.

19. (Amended) A diagnostic agent of a tumor, comprising the virus vector according to [any one of] claim[s 1 to 15] 6.

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